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ONE CENT

HEAVY DAMAGE DONE BY FLAMES SUNDAY NIGHT AT STAR MINE

Boiler House, Power
House and Part of
Tipple Burned—Loss
\$15,000 or More

DYNAMOS DESTROYED

Valuable Machinery Damaged—Many Men Throwed
Out of Work and Mine
Will be Closed Indefinitely

Fire caused it is claimed by carelessness of repair men in leaving a blaze near the boiler house occasioned damage to the extent of about \$15,000 at the Star mine of the Harvester-Walker company near Courtney at about 12 o'clock Sunday night. Much valuable machinery was destroyed in addition to the boiler house, the power house and about five spans of the tipple. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

It is asserted that repair men have been at work preparing for the installation of a new boiler at the boiler house. They had a fire going Sunday night near the boiler house, and it is told went away for a short time leaving it. When they returned the boiler house was in flames.

The power house and other out-buildings quickly caught fire, and because of the grease and coal dust burned rapidly. The tipple became ignited. There is no efficient fire fighting apparatus and the puny efforts of the men failed in extinguishing the blaze.

It is difficult to say when the mine will again start up. Between 300 and 500 men were employed. They will be thrown out of work. The payroll at the Star mine was about \$6,000 every two weeks. This will be a serious blow to Monongahela, where most of the trade from the mining settlement went. It may be that the mine will not be opened up again until the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad is extended through the Mingo valley, and then it is stated a new opening may be made.

TEMPERANCE DRAMA AT PALACE THEATRE

"The Drunkard's Reformation," a gripping temperance photoplay, will be a special feature at the Palace Theatre tonight. This great feature shows the evils of intemperance in a most vivid manner, and the evolutionary stages in which the great scourge of the civilized world gets its insidious hold on its victims, until it finally "biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." It affords a most impressive temperance lecture. This great feature is in three reels.

Will Probated.

In the estate of Marie Gault, late of Charleroi, her will has been probated and letters issued to N. Etta Gault, a daughter, who is given the estate.

Saved From Drink.
The Drunkard's Reformation, three
reels Palace Theatre tonight. 145-11

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MINISTERS FORM MARRIAGE TRUST

Such is Charge of James O'Hara, of Cumberland and James, Being a Cabby Ought to be Qualified to Know

A singularly organized marriage trust with a number of ministers as leaders is said to exist at Cumberland, Md., a popular Gretna Green, since Youngstown as a get-married quick place was wiped from the map. James E. O'Hara, an automobile driver is the informant, and from the bitterness of his accusation, it seems that James is on the outside of something good, where his advantage would be in being in the inside.

According to O'Hara, who gave testimony to the Connellsville Courier ministers board trains before the trains get to Cumberland, spot elop-

formed by the itinerant ministers.

PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE MEN OF WASHINGTON DISTRICT MEET IN ANNUAL BANQUET

The Prudential Insurance company of American tendered their annual banquet and business meeting to the Washington district at Hotel Monier Saturday afternoon and the affair was one of the best and most enjoyable events of the kind ever held in this district.

Over sixty were present including superintendents, assistants superintendents, agents and their ladies from Washington, Monongahela, Charleroi, Brownsville, Fredericktown and surrounding towns. The honor guests were C. Olozogn, division manager, from Newark, N. J.; P. F. Aiphart, superintendent McKeesport district, and W. G. Bechler, superintendent Pittsburg No. 3 district. Music was furnished by Wheeler's orchestra. A tenor solo was sung by Earl Atkins of Monongahela. Miss Rachel Carroll of Monongahela elocutionist, gave readings. Very interesting talks were given by different persons. Division Manager Olozogn spoke of the wonderful growth and success of the company during the past year which was the largest in the history.

GREAT SECRET OUT; VOTES GO FOR ROOSEVELT

Electors of Pennsylvania to Hold Meeting at Harrisburg—Thomas to be Present

Goodloe H. Thomas, of the Monessen Friday Evening Call left Sunday evening for Harrisburg to participate in the casting of votes for president by the electors of the State.

Everybody knows what the result of the meeting of electors will be. Roosevelt gets the vote in Pennsylvania. Officially President-elect Woodrow Wilson isn't elected President until the electors of the several states have met, cast their votes, and had them reported and tabulated at the national capitol.

Drama in Three Parts.
The Drunkard's Reformation, Palace Theatre tonight. 145-11

Some people spend more money accidentally than most people do purposely.

W. AND J. NAMES INSTRUCTOR TO FILL VACANCY

Prof. J. Clyde McGregor, of Wheeling, W. Va., an alumnus of the institution, has been named instructor of Political Science and History at Washington & Jefferson college, to fill the temporary vacancy caused by the election to congress from the Twenty-fourth, Pennsylvania district, of Dr. Henry W. Temple, who has held this professorship for some years.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of W. & J., Dr. Temple was granted a two-years' leave of absence, commencing with next term.

Professor McGregor graduated from Washington & Jefferson in 1905 and for several years afterward was instructor in history in the Wheeling High school. For some months he has been teaching and studying at the University of Pennsylvania, pursuing special work in history and political science as a candidate for the degree of Philosophy (Ph. D.) He was given his Master's degree by his alma mater, W. & J.

JURY ADVISES THAT LIGHTS BE MADE SAFE

Recommendations were embodied in the finding of the coroner's jury at Donora Friday in the investigation into the death of John Sukel, that the West Penn Electric company adopt a better system of wiring for the Webster-Donora bridge. The present system, it is claimed is not safe for travelers. Sukel, it was ascertained, was electrocuted when he tried to remove a live wire lying it was claimed on the floor of the bridge. It is said the same light has been lowered on several previous occasions by passersby and the jury considered that the company should take some means to prevent these occurrences.

STORK IS THE WINNER

Year's Statistics Show

Three Times More Births Than Deaths

LOWER THAN IN 1911

Records Made During Summer—Low Month for Mortality is July

There were more than three times as many births as deaths in the Charleroi district comprising Charleroi borough, Fallowfield township and Twilight borough during the year 1912. Monthly reports furnished the

Mail by the registrar of vital statistics, Dr. Edwin McKay, tabulated show the number of births to be 343, and deaths 113. In 1911 there were 380 births and 149 deaths. The percentage of deaths compared to the number of births was greater in that year than in 1912. Following are the figures for the year:

	Births	Deaths
January	20	11
February	29	8
March	27	12
April	31	11
May	26	8
June	33	8
July	33	4
August	20	6
September	24	16
October	38	9
November	35	11
December	27	9
Total	343	113

Of course a majority of both the births and deaths occurred in Charleroi although both Fallowfield and Twilight contributed their lot. Some unusual figures are shown through the year. For instance in July there was a remarkably low death rate and a high birth rate, the deaths being four, and births 33. The high month for deaths was September with 16 and the high month for births October with 38. The number of births for the first half of the year was 166 and for the latter half 177. Deaths numbered 53 the first half of the year and 55 the last half.

SHE WAS WILLIN' TO BE HIS'N BUT HE WAS TOO SLOW

Averring she faithfully promised to marry him and is still willing and ready to carry out that promise, Caroline Urbanczyk has filed a suit at Washington against Nicholas Bawel, of the county seat claiming \$5,000 damages for alleged breach of promise. A capias has been issued for the defendant and bail fixed at \$1,000. The plaintiff claims that notwithstanding she has remained single and has always been willing and ready to carry out her promise of marriage alleged to have been made on April 9, 1911, to the defendant, the latter has failed to carry out his part of the agreement and has persistently refused to marry her.

PREPARING PETITIONS FOR STARTING RURAL DELIVERY ROUTE HERE

Petitions to be presented to the postoffice department asking that a rural delivery route be started from Charleroi are being signed in Charleroi. They have met with ready response and practically all who have been asked have signed. The petitions will be presented as soon as possible.

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LOWLAND RESIDENTS FRIGHTENED BY FLOOD

Loads of Beer Rather Noisy

Two Taken in at Police Station With Considerable Difficulty Saturday

Two loads of beer were taken in at the police station with considerable noise and difficulty Saturday night. Two men were the loads. They had evidently been where beer was on draught and had sat in the draft. They took a notion to resist arrest and did so, to their discomfiture, for they not only were landed in the bough bastile, but were also forced to undergo a sentence of a fine of \$10 and costs or a short term in the lock-up. One chose the former and one the latter. Saturday night there were nine arrests, Sunday there were two arrests for fighting.

LOCK NO. 6 TO BE REBUILT

Rivers and Harbors Committee Recommends Appropriation

BILL EXPECTED TO PASS

In the rivers and harbors bill to go to the House of Representatives this week \$178,200 is contained for the rebuilding of Lock No. 6 in the Monongahela river. This is a little more than Gen. Bixby of the United States Army engineers recommended and less than the coal interests asked for. Of the \$40,000 to be carried in the bill for rivers and harbors work, \$5,000,000 will be allowed the Ohio, to further the system of locks and dams and to give the river a nine-foot stage. The Allegheny river will get \$300,000. The money for the Allegheny river is not to become available until the Army engineers number 58 the first half of the year and 55 the last half.

The appropriation for Lock No. 6 means if passed that the government will have on hands the rebuilding of two locks, work already having been started at Lock No. 4. It is hardly likely that both locks would be rebuilt at once, but rather that the local lock would be finished first. The appropriation for Lock No. 6 would be sufficient for the rebuilding of the entire lock.

Notice.
The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church will do any kind of plain sewing, children's clothes, dressing sacques, etc. Leave orders for sewing with Mrs. J. K. Smith at Fifth and Washington avenue. 145-46

Don't fail to see the O-Cedar mop demonstration when at Horne's and Kaufman's and leave your order for one at the City Grocery. 21-tw-11

Watches must be properly cared for

If you value their time-keeping qualities. Have them cleaned and looked over regularly instead of waiting 'till they "get something the matter with them." Our facilities for this class of work is surpassingly good and we guarantee to repair the most delicate or most expensive watches and clocks in the most satisfactory manner.

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Second Raise of River Within Five Days Occurs Sunday

OHIO GOES ON RAMPAGE
People Living on Down River Points Chased From Their Homes by High Water

For the second time within five days the Monongahela river was flooded Sunday. At Lock No. 4 Sunday evening at 6 o'clock water was up to within a foot of the stage it attained last Wednesday. After reaching this stage, 29.7 feet, it began slowly to recede.

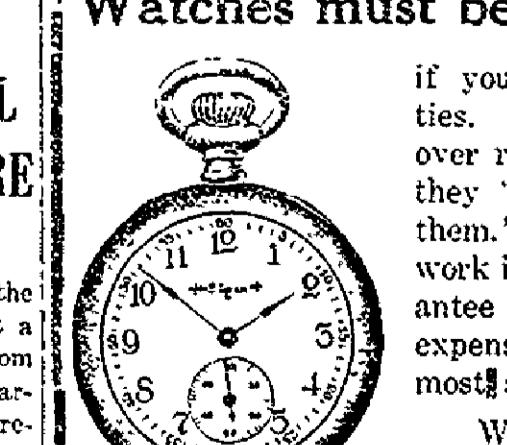
It was reported Sunday night that certain Pittsburgh streets were under water, and reports came from down the Ohio river of great havoc. The ground is soaked from the rains and floods of the fore part of last week, and the smaller contributory streams or the Monongahela, Allegheny and Ohio rivers are filled with water. A late rain Saturday and Sunday night did the damage. On the lower Ohio right in back of it created a worse flood than was at first feared.

In the vicinity of Cincinnati the people are being driven from their homes by the invading waters from the muddy Monongahela and cranky Allegheny rivers. Cincinnati business which have suffered heavy loss. A 60-foot stage of water was reported from Cincinnati Sunday night. Further down the Ohio the damage was fully as great.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM AT COYLE THEATRE

"The Star of Bethlehem," which is at the Coyle Theatre this evening, is one of the greatest Scriptural portrayals ever before presented in moving pictures. The film is as nearly infallible as it is possible to make it, in point of depiction of characters, events, settings and costumings. All the leading events of the nativity of Christ are graphically portrayed, and portraiture, costuming and settings are faithfully copied from worldwide paintings of the great masters on these subjects, and from accurate geographical data obtained direct from the holy land. All the historic authorities have been carefully searched and copied and the result is a portrayal that far surpasses any conception the mind might have formed of this great event, which today dominates the whole civilized world. It is a picture that Bible students and Sunday school workers and scholars should by all means witness, as it will give impressions which no amount of printed descriptions can ever convey.

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A NEW CIVILIZATION.

"To my mind the distinguishing fact in the mental attitude of our time is the relatively tremendous weight we lay on general human welfare," says Glifford Pinchot in the January number of the Pennsylvania Suffrage News. "This disposition to accept the health, happiness and success of men and women in the mass as the criterion and touchstone of civilization is comparatively new. It seems to me well within the bounds of truth to say that it has made more progress within the United States in the last twelve years, and the advance in the next decade bids fair to be only less striking.

The moment the effective political units in any commonwealth begin to measure national success by human welfare, not merely as an intellectual proposition but as a practical basis for concrete action, that moment the equal participation of women in government becomes a certainty. The

reason is simple. Women as a whole have a larger stake in human welfare than men, for they are the mothers. They bear the heavier share of the burden. Their lives and their rights are more sacred than those of men.

"Women and children first" is no meaningless phrase and represents no accidental custom. It rests on the obvious truth that the future is more important to the race than the present, and that in times of peril those who prepare or embody the future are best worth saving.

Equal suffrage is coming, as it ought to come, for the good and sufficient reason that to the welfare of the race, and to its future, the work and point of view of the women is more important than the work and point of view of the men."

FOR MOTHER'S PENSIONS.

An unqualified endorsement of a mother's pension law for Pennsylvania was given by Rev. Dr. J. Leonard Levy, rabbi of the Rodeph Shalom Temple, in Pittsburgh Sunday. Dr. Levy praised the work that is being carried on by the Young Ladies' Relief Society of Pittsburgh in the interests of the mother's pension law, and said:

"I endorse the general proposition," said Dr. Levy. "I feel that the tax

levied by the State is for the welfare of the people and I can see no more practical benefit to be derived than by the application of this pension system. Measures will be taken to prevent unworthy persons from participating. These precautionary steps are necessary in all forms of charity, but the administration of the pension system would cost no more than the administration of orphanages and other public charitable institutions. In this case the mothers would receive a direct benefit. For the work of the Young Ladies' Relief Society I have the highest praise."

Dr. Levy's endorsement of the proposed system will have a big influence in winning advocates for this measure. He is one of the foremost philanthropists of the day, and his location in Pittsburgh gives prestige to his views regarding anything affecting possible legislation in Pennsylvania.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Battling Nelson is to become an evangelist. People will hesitate about giving him any back talk.

A man in a nearby town paid his store bill and dropped dead. This is sort of turning the tables on the usual formula.

It is much easier to palm off a miracle of today than it was to get people to believe in one in the year 100.

Another dinosaur has been dug up in Utah. When you can't find what you want anywhere else go to Utah. If it doesn't have it in stock wait and it will be secured.

The New York World has discovered an anarchist is dangerous. Behold this new Solomon among newspapers.

Women superintendents of governmental departments usually are proud (?) to write Miss before their names. If they could write Mrs. they wouldn't have time to be either proud or superintendents.

It's getting to be quite the thing to ride to your everlasting resting place on a cannon wagon, with artillery men marching by the side. Wonder if that is a scheme to ward off the approach of his Satanic majesty?

If they are to consider raising the tariff on anything, it is hoped to heaven it is perfume.

If an aeroplane gets lost relatives of the aviator will be trying to telephone to Mars to recover his body.

An exchange remarks that customers who failed to get milk on a certain morning went dry. The man who wrote that evidently doesn't know what dry means.

Three days are left for January to beat last year's record.

It was in Burma. Eight or nine miles below Mandalay, Burma, the right bank of the Irrawaddy is bold and in the neighborhood of the old Burmese town of Ssang the hills are dotted all over with pagodas. These are not temples, says writer in the Wide World Magazine but are built by plain people as offerings to the supreme power, it being generally believed that such acts of devotion count to the builders' credit in the next world. The pagodas are of all kinds according to the means of the builders, from primitive white washed structures to ornate erections with grotesque gilded lions. The lions have various meanings, but stand chiefly as a reminder of unselfish devotion. An ancient Burmese legend, caught to all Burmese children, is that of a honest who nursed and guarded the baby son of a king and who died of a broken heart when the prince grew up and went away.

Kept Up the Waiting. In Abyssinia it was once the habit of complainants to stand before the door of the king's palace, loudly appealing to his majesty for help. "So accursed is the king," wrote one traveler to these querulous tones of sorrow that when the rains prevent such as are really distressed from repairing to the capital a set of vagrants is provided whose object it is to raise the cry of artificial sorrow lest he should feel a lonely quietness."

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Any time is the proper time for saying what is just.—Greek Proverb.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

A prominent man in Pittsburgh, who is noted for his philanthropy and civic work in a local way, has no patience at all with the great horde of solicitors who constantly apply for aid for this or that small project in which they may be personally interested. Because of his known public spirit the Pittsburgh man is a constant mark for these mendicants, but he is not an easy one by any means.

The other day, it is said, a sanctimonious individual called at the Pittsburgher's office and found the latter very busy with his correspondence. Looking up hastily and divining the object of the visitor, he said:

"My dear sir, I am very busy. Therefore you will please state in the fewest possible words the object of your visit."

"Well, Mr. —," replied the visitor, "I will be brief. My object is to solicit funds for a great evangelistic project. In other words, I want you to help prevent thousands of our fellow human beings from going to hell."

"I won't give you a blamed cent!" shrieked the Pittsburgher. "There don't half enough of you fellows go there now!"

The following, gleaned from the "E. T. L. Pickups" of the Inland Printer, is said to have been received by a farm paper in the west:

"Dear Sirs—I don't think I owe you many cards. My Little Boy Clarence & I have sent you 8 subscribers this winter and myne he told you not to send the cards and you did not I get your Papers and also the samples you sent where the trouble is you have to many names for one Person. My name is S. A. Hell and the boys name is Clarence Hell. You write them Hill there is no Hills here, the Mail man says everything that looks like Hell he brings it here."

Beauty of the Zebra.

The zebra is perhaps of all quadrupeds the best made and most beautiful in the hand of nature, the figure and graces of the horse, the elegance of the stag and unicorn and white bands with which it is ornamented are arranged with wonderful symmetry that a sight almost as disposed to magnificence and compass had been in their formation. These white bands are narrow, parallel and slightly separated. They extend in any over the body, but the head, the neck and even over the ears are all. They follow so exactly the contour of the different forms that they exhibit the entire figure in the most advantageous point of view. In the female these bands are alternately black and white. In the male they are black and yellow, but always of lively and brilliant tint. They also rest upon a ground of short, fine and copious hair, whose finer considerations augments the general beauty of the colors.—Exchange

Our Wonderful Eyes.

Is there anything so wonderful as the eye? No matter how cold the weather may be, the eye never fails in the wildest of blizzards, when the thermometer registers many degrees below zero, when the feet and fingers freeze, when the throat freezes, when even the torso, swathed in sweaters and chamois skin restings, freezes; when the nose and ears are frost bitten, when the hair even crackles in the blast—when all is lost apparently, the eyes suffer no pain, but continue to perform their normal functions. The people of the most inclement, most frigid regions of the extreme north bundle up everything but their eyes. The eyes are never frostbitten. They seem to suffer only in a strong wind which carries in its current some irritating substance. And yet notwithstanding this, the eyes are the most sensitive of our several organs.

Banking the Fire.

Banking the fire is a very simple process. It is easier to bank a fire than to bank anything else we know of.

We have not been able to bank anything excepting a fire for several years. Place the ashes in the flour sifter and thus sputter them carefully over the coals three teacupfuls for a small furnace, the kind that goes out every five minutes and the teacupfuls for one of the battishell variety. Close all of the drafts or leave all of them open, as you choose, turn out the gas in the basement, lock the kitchen door, take your dose of family tea, wind the clock out but the cat and go to bed. If these directions are followed faithfully you will in the morning find one of two conditions—the fire will be going or it will be out.—Boston Globe.

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Too Much For Webster.

In the somewhat famous case of Mrs. Boden's will, which was tried in the supreme court many years ago, Daniel Webster appeared as counsel for the appellant Mrs. Greenough, wife of the Rev. William Greenough, was a very self possessed witness. Notwithstanding Mr. Webster's repeated efforts to disconcert her, she pursued the even tenor of her way until Webster, becoming quite fearful of the result, arose, apparently in great agitation, and, drawing out his large muffbox, thrust his thumb and finger in the very bottom and, carrying a deep pinch to both nostrils, drew it up with gusto, and then, extracting from his pocket a very large handkerchief, blew his nose with a report that rang distinct and loud through the crowded hall.

He then asked, "Mrs. Greenough was Mrs. Boden a neat woman?"

"I cannot give you full information as to that, sir. She had one very dirty trick," replied the witness.

"What was that, ma'am?"

"She took snuff."

Resting on His Laurels.

An undertaker was discussing queer reputations.

"A queer sepulture indeed," he said, "was that of a German playwright, Gustave von Moser. Von Moser kept in his house a costly and beautiful urn. He purposed to be cremated, and his ashes were to be put in the urn afterward."

"But the strangest thing about the urn was that it contained a little bed of ashes during Von Moser's life. He used, you see, to get a good many laurel wreaths when his new plays were put on, and he would take a sprig from each wreath, burn it and drop the ashes into the urn."

"My own ashes," he would say, "will be on top. Thus after death it may be truly said of me that I am resting on my laurels."—New York Tribune.

Flags We Have Known.

The first flag to float over American soil was the royal standard of Isabella, emblazoned with the arms of Castile and Leon. A white flag with a green cross was its companion. Some years after Columbus landed at San Salvador the Cabots planted the banner of England and of St. Mark of Venice on the eastern shore of North America.

In the centuries that have intervened since a variety of national flags have waved where now only the stars and stripes is the accepted emblem. Over Texas have floated the French, Spanish, English, American and Confederate; in Louisiana the lilies of France, the Spanish flag, the tricolor, the American and Confederate flags; in California the Spanish, Mexican, Russian and American.

Moors Consider Us Dirty.

A habit of our own which we consider far more cleanly than eating with our fingers is looked upon by the Moors as filthy—that is, washing our hands or face in a basin and, still more, taking a bath where the water is not running. The cleaner we become, they say, the dirtier the water we are washing with must necessarily become, and eventually we step forth as cleansed from water which is no longer clean. A Moor to wash his hands has the water poured from a vessel over them, and never by any chance dips them into the dirty water. The same way in their baths. The water is thrown over their bodies out of bright brass bowls and bows sway through holes in the marble or tile floor.

Mammy's Expedient.

Little Rastus was becoming very objectionable in school because his wool was growing longer and longer, far beyond the cutting stage. The teacher tried hitting to no purpose and then told him outright to go have his hair cut, giving him a quarter for the purpose.

Rastus broke out crying and said, "No, ma'am; I doesn't hab it cut. My mammy, she wants a new switch, and she's done a-growin' it on me."—Ladies' Home Journal.

In a Bad Way.

"I fear that my husband will break down. He is suffering from brain exhaustion."

"How dreadful! What are his symptoms?"

"He latterly keeps repeating himself in his excuses for coming home late from the club, dear."

What She Really Wanted.

Ferdie had just proposed to Millie.

"No, Ferdie," she said; "I cannot marry you. The man who gets me must be a grand man, upright and square."

"My dear girl," said Ferdie, "you don't want a man; you want a piano."

—Exchange

Translating the Definition.

Johnny—Papa, what does precoxous mean? Papa—it means—a—it is a term applied to children who know more than is usual at their age. Johnny—Oh, yes; it means a fresh kid!

For Appearance.

"How can you marry a man as old as all that?"

"Well, mother says I will look well in white, and sister says I will look well in black."—Pittsburgh Post.

Money and Trouble.

"Money, after all, means nothing but trouble."

"Still, it is the only kind of trouble which it is hard to borrow."—Baltimore American.

He that falls into sin is a man; he that grieves at it is a saint; that boasts of it is a devil.—Fuller.

ALONG THE RIVER

During the month of November there was not a death in Belle Vernon to record. Since 1908 there has been but one other month the same, it being September 1909. During December, 1909 there were nine deaths recorded, four in 1910, four in 1911.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Hixenbaugh of Roscoe to Harry Webster of Carnegie. The wedding will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown, January 22.

Under the direction of Prof. I. T. Daniel, musical director of the Charleroi schools, the choral class of Fayette City is progressing nicely. A recital is to be given the latter part of this month or the first of next.

The library at the normal added 250 books to the library at Christmas time and new stationary book cases were also added.

Installation of officers in Dairy Grange near Coal Centre No. 1308 was held Saturday evening. The local grange has the largest membership of any in the community over 200 being enrolled.

William Long is proud of the last year's report of the Coal Centre Presbyterian Sunday school which he gave to them last Sunday. The average attendance per Sunday was 108. The average collection was \$3 per Sunday. Twenty-eight members of the school attended every Sabbath. One scholar has been present every Sunday for four years. Few Sunday schools can make a better showing when you consider the enrollment.

The White Sewing Machine company at 423 Fallowfield is giving away a \$75.00 White Rotary Sewing Machine to the highest bidder. Contest closes January 15, 1913. Come in and register your bid. 136-t12

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THE "GOBLIN FRIAR."

One of the Specters That Are Said to Haunt Newstead Abbey.

Newstead abbey, the home of Lord Byron, has the reputation of being haunted by more than one specter, and many curious noises and strange sights have been heard and seen by residents and visitors there. But the best known and most noted specter connected with the place and immortalized in Byron's verse is the "Goblin Friar." The particular chamber which this specter is supposed especially to frequent and which is known par excellence as the "haunted chamber" adjoins Byron's bedroom. Lord Byron and many others not only believed in the existence of the Black Friar, but asserted that they had really seen it. It did not confine its visitations, however, to the "haunted chamber," but at night walked the cloisters and other portions of the abbey.

A monk arrayed in cow-skin beads and dusky garb appeared.

Now in the moonlight and now tapsed in shade,

With steps that trod as heavy, yet unheard.

This apparition is the evil genius of the Byrons, and its appearance portends misfortune of some kind to the member of the family to whom it appears. Lord Byron fully believed that he beheld this apparition a short time before the greatest misfortune of his life, his ill-starred union with Miss Milbanke. Alluding to his belief in these things, he said:

I merely mean to say what Johnson said. That in a course of some six thousand years,

All nations have believed that from the dead,

A visitant at intervals appears.

And what is strangest upon this strange head,

Is that whatever bars the reason rear Gainest such beliefs there's something stronger still.

In its behalf, let those deny who will,

-Kansas City Star.

HAYDN AND THE ROD.

When the Budding Composer Was Flogged by Royal Command.

An amusing incident of the healthy boyhood of the great composer, Joseph Haydn, is given by Mary Maxwell Moffat in her biography of the Austrian empress, Maria Theresa.

When von Reutter became choirmaster of St. Stephen's cathedral he had Joseph Haydn among his pupils.

During a visit to the Hungarian Prince Esterhazy, in 1773, Maria Theresa took occasion to say a word of praise to Haydn, who had composed the music of the opera given in her honor and had conducted the performance. She expressed the conviction that she had seen him before, although she could not remember the occasion.

"The last time your majesty was pleased to take notice of me," said Haydn, "you ordered me a good thrashing."

"That does not sound like me," rejoined the empress. "How did it happen?"

Then Haydn told of a Whitsuntide when, with other pupils of von Reutter he had been brought to Schoenbrunn to sing in the chapel. Between the services the boys took to chambering over the scaffolding of the new wings of the palace. The empress caught sight of them and sent word forbidding the dangerous sport. But the attraction of the scaffolding was irresistible. On the following day the boys were again risking their necks. When Maria Theresa expostulated with von Reutter her surmise that the ringleader was "that young scamp, Joseph Haydn," led her to suggest that the rod be used to improve his memory.

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How, indeed?

Small Boy-Sister said to ask if you had any invisible ink. New Drug Clerk, after looking among some bottles—I guess we haven't, at least I don't see any. Small Boy (contemptuously)—Huh! How do you expect to see it if it's invisible?—Chicago News

Tart Retort.

Restaurant patron (caustically)—I am glad to see your baby has shut up, madam. Mother—Yes, sir. You are the only thing that's pleased him since we saw the animals eat at the zoo—Puck.

If your spirits are low do something, and if you have been doing something do something different.—E. H. Hale

White Sale Prices for Undermuslins

In this big January event, which is well known by thousands of women in and around Pittsburgh, the opportunities presented to purchase desirable undermuslins for much less than their real value are even better than in former seasons.

We give below a range of prices for the different garments. As space is limited, we will only say, regarding their general appearance, that they are made in the best manner, with trimmings of lace, embroideries and ribbons, applied in many beautiful ways. Some garments are plain, others elaborate, but all in good taste, and each an exceptional value.

Women's Gowns of muslin, nainsook and cambric, variously trimmed, are priced at 50c to \$10.00 each.

Corset Covers of various styles, made of nainsook and cambric, with different trimmings, at 25c to \$3.00 each.

Drawers of muslin, cambric and nainsook, various styles, at 25c to \$3.00.

Combinations of corset covers and drawers and corset covers and skirts, made of soft nainsook, at 50c to \$7.50 each.

Princess Slips of nainsook some with lace, others embroidered, at \$1.00 to \$6.00 each.

Petticoats of muslin, cambric and nainsook. Various styles, with many trimming effects, at 50c to \$10.00 each.

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The Strength of a Child.

Medical men assert that, according to well conducted tests, it is shown that the newborn babe is relatively much stronger than a full grown man.

The muscles of the forearm are astonishingly vigorous. A few hours after birth a baby suspended by its finger to a stick or to the finger of a grown person can sustain itself in the air for about ten seconds—in the case of particularly strong infants for so long a period as thirty seconds.

When four days old an appreciable increase in the infant's strength may be noticed, and the time during which it can thus sustain itself is about two and one-half minutes for 98 per cent of babies. The maximum is attained in two weeks. Few infants can "hang on" for more than one and one-half minutes, although it is of record that one exceptionally developed child remained suspended for two minutes and thirty-eight seconds by his right hand. After that he continued to hang on with his left for fifteen seconds longer.—Harper's Weekly.

Grouchy After Waterloo.

General Grouchy died May 29, 1847, after battling in vain for thirty years against the legend which held him responsible for the loss of Waterloo. A marquis and a Norman, he yet cast in his fortunes with the revolution, was an object of suspicion in the terror, but soon rose to command as a general of the army. In the hundred days he was made a marshal. After Waterloo he withdrew to Paris in good order and proclaimed Napoleon II. Proscribed by the restoration, he found refuge in the United States, but returned to France in 1821. He was restored to his rank as marshal by Louis Philippe and summoned to a seat in the chamber of peers. His son in an unequal military career was made a general, accompanied his father in his American exile and eventually became a senator of France. Marshal Grouchy passed the greater part of his exile in Philadelphia and, after his return to his native land, lived at Caen except when his legislative duties called him to Paris.—Evening

Reason For It.

At a debating society some time ago the Irish question was discussed. An English doctor was sustaining the argument that the Irish were naturally a race with right sentiments, but poorly developed. At Liverpool, he said, he had 300 Irish patients on his books and of these only thirty paid him for attendance.

"Sorr," said an Irishman, who rose with flushed cheek to defend his countrymen—"sorr, there is never an effect without a cause. There is never a phenomenon that does not admit of an explanation. How can we explain the astounding phenomenon to which the doctor has called our attention? He finds an explanation in the natural depravity of the Irish nature. I sorr, have another explanation to give and it is this: the Irish patients are overfed."—Pearson's Weekly.

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Scared Butchers' Names.

A butcher who had some spare time made a study of the New York telephone directory for butchers whose names are out of the ordinary or fit the business. Sam Frankfurter has a shop at 219 East Seventh street and A. Weiner is at 1443 avenue A. John Now is on Third avenue and Frank Then on Amsterdam avenue. If they formed a partnership Now & Then would sound familiar. Wing Sang is in the poultry business and A. Fox is a game dealer. Louis Rich is on Third avenue and John Richer is in the Bronx. Emilie Haif is on Amsterdam avenue. George Adler hustles in a market on Webster avenue. John Grab is taking things easy in his shop on Second avenue. Max Warm is on East Houston street. Max Lent of Norfolk street never keeps it. Joseph Hug of West Fifteenth street should be a favorite with the women. For the finish how about Julius Goolby of avenue A?—Butchers' Advocate.

The Fiddle Drill. The "fiddle drill" is one of the oldest stonecutting tools in existence. It is said to antedate Greek sculpture and is in use today in about the same form as it was 2,000 years ago. As its name implies, its action resembles a fiddle. The drill is of two pieces. In one hand a carver holds the drill stock, which is like a carpenter's brace, except that it is straight instead of having a crank. In the other hand he holds the "bow," which is strung with a brass wire and which is given a turn around the drill stock. To use the drill the carver places the drill stock against his breast, holding it with his left hand, and with his right he draws the bow back and forth, fiddle fashion. This imparts a rotary motion to the drill stock and the drill is ground to cut in either way it turns. The fiddle drill is used in the finest work, in crevices where the sculptor could not reach with his chisel and hammer without endangering the carver.

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Natural Ear Trumpets. It has been ascertained that the spiral horn of a wild sheep, when placed in the ear, makes the direction from which the ticking of a watch more easily discernible. Since the ear of the sheep is surrounded by the horn it is inferred that the latter acts as an ear trumpet, not improving the hearing for distant sounds, but disclosing the direction of a sound. This would be useful in enabling the sheep to ascertain the exact points whence sounds come when there is a mist or fog covering its feeding grounds.—Exchange.

—Chicago News

WHISTLER AT WORK.

The Eccentric Artist Had a Method That Was All His Own.

In "Memories of James McNeill Whistler," by Thomas B. Way, the author allows us a glance at the artist's methods during his residence at the white house in Tite street, built from the designs of his friend, E. W. Godwin, the architect:

"The studio was surprisingly different from the room he previously used in Lindsay row, and entirely unlike the studios usually occupied by other artists. I remember a long, very light, with windows along one side; his canvas beside his model at one end and at the other, near the table which he used as a palette, an old Georgian looking glass, so arranged that he could readily see his canvas and model reflected in it. Those who used such a mirror (as he did constantly) will know that it is the most merciless of critics.

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Mexico's Goat.

To get your goat in Mexico has no meaning other than to lay unawares hands on the quadruped. The goat is to Mexico what the sheep is to Australia and beef to old England and more, because it is both meat and drink. The republic of bullfighting and banditry could not get along without the humble little animal we have at ways associated with Harlem back yards and a diet of tin cans. Its flesh sells at 14 cents a pound, Mexican money, and a steaming stew of tender young kid is not to be despised by a hungry man. Every Mexican hotel serves goat meat in some form or other. A fat goat sells for \$3 on the hoof, and a lean one brings only \$1.50. The tallow sells at 12 cents a pound and is commonly used in place of lard. The skins are worth \$1.50 each, and the milk retails at 12½ cents a quart.—New York Press.

—Chicago News

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—Chicago News

New York's First Sidewalk.

Before Spring Comes

We must empty our shelves, counters and cases. All our winter stock must go to make room for our new Spring Goods. Every vestige of Winter wear has been marked down with the sole purpose of rapid selling. The profits do not figure in this sale--its a matter of space with us, and you should take advantage of this extra inducement.

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Rev. Elias Nicholas, a native of Egypt, and a Methodist Episcopal minister in that country spoke from the pulpit of the local Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening.

John B. Branagan, former postmaster, who is now located in Los Angeles, Cal., is spending a few days in Charleroi looking after business matters.

Misses Lois and Helen Darby are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Herman Heupel is in Pittsburg today.

C. C. Holyfield is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

CAUSE OF THE GRIPPE

How to Escape Its Dangerous After Effects.

With so much grippe prevalent this winter a few words of advice regarding its cause and treatment will not be out of place.

Grippe is an infectious disease easily taken when the system is in a tired or run-down condition.

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FRENCH PEOPLE PRESENT DRAMA IN OWN TONGUE

Saturday evening the French Dramatic Circle, L'Independent, gave a most pleasing home talent performance at the Eighth street hall. The hall was packed to the doors and many who gained admittance had to stand during the performance. The first act of the play, rendered in French, "Le Peril Jaune," was charmingly rendered, Leon Pagan as the husband playing his part like a professional, and drawing hearty applause from the big audience, as did Miss Anna Goffart, who took the part of the wife. Fernand Goffart as the lawyer and Miss Suzanne Loiseau, the latter but 14 years old, as the charming household maid, rendered their respective parts with fine effect. Miss Loiseau was presented with a handsome bouquet during the performance.

The second act was no less a success. Leon Pagan as the doctor, Vicent Bouvier as the servant, and Anne Goffart as the patient wife, kept the audience in an uproar of laughter throughout the act. The third act was rendered in the Belgian dialect with a comic version throughout. Leopold Goffart as the veterinary, Adrian Clavir as the rich former and Joe Decoch as the servant displayed marked talent in their respective parts. Mr. Bouvier rendered two vocal selections and Leon Pagan gave two monologues as special features. The next performance of the association will be a grand drama under direction of Leon Pagan.

Plaster Casts.
Those who have plaster casts that they wish to preserve may protect them from dust by brushing them with a preparation of white wax and white soap, half a teaspoonful of each boiled with a quart of rain or other soft water. Use when cold, and when they are dried the casts may be wiped with a damp cloth without injury. To harden casts brush with a strong solution of alum water and brush with white wax dissolved in turpentine. Put the cast in a warm place to dry after using the latter, and it will have a look not unlike that of old ivory.

Had to Creep.
"Why do you say 'a blushing crept over the face of the fair plaintiff?'" asks the editor.

"Because," explains the society editor, "there was so much powder on her face the blushing had to creep or else it would cause too much dust!"

The Clever Ones.
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The Salamander.
In Andrew's "Anecdotes Ancient and Modern" (1789) one reads, "Should a glass house fire be kept up without extinction for a longer term than seven years there is no doubt but that a salamander would be generated in the cinders." This probably accounts for the popular idea that a salamander lives in the fire, a fallacy so far removed from the truth that the curious lizardlike beast so called cannot endure even the heat of the sun, but skulks away under stones to avoid it. It will never lose its reputation for fire eating, though, which lingers still in the heating utensil that is named after it.

WHAT IS DIRT?

How the Question Was Answered by a Professor of Chemistry.

An old college professor used to say to his students: "What is dirt? Don't be afraid of a little dirt, young gentle man. What is dirt? Why, nothing at all offensive when chemically viewed. Rub a little alkali upon that dirty grease spot on your coat, and it undergoes a chemical change and becomes soap. Now rub it with a little water, and it disappears. It is neither grease, soap, water nor dirt."

"That is not a very odorous pile of dirt you observe there. Well, scatter a little gypsum over it, and it is no longer dirty. Everything you call dirt is worthy of your notice as students of chemistry. Analyze it, analyze it! It will all separate into very clear elements."

"Dirt makes corn, corn makes bread and meat, and that makes a very sweet young lady that I saw one of you kissing last night. So, after all, you were kissing dirt, particularly if she whitened her skin with chalk or talcum's earth."

"There is no telling, young gentlemen, what is dirt, though I may say that rubbing such stuff upon the beautiful skin of a young lady is a dirty practice. Nice, nearly face powder is made of bismutb--nothing but dirt!"--Exchange.

MIXED WIVES.

The Dilemma That Mr. Church Faced and How He Mastered It.

In the early part of the last century there lived in an old New England town a Mr. Church, who in the course of his early life was bereft of four wives, all of whom were buried in the same lot.

In his old age it became necessary to remove the remains to a new cemetery. This he undertook himself, but in the process the bones became hopelessly mixed.

His "New England conscience" would not allow him under the painful circumstances to use the original head stones, so he procured new ones, one of which bore the following inscription.

"Here lies Hannah Church and probably a portion of Emily."

Another:

"Sacred to the memory of Emily Church, who seems to be mixed with Matilda."

Then followed these lines:

"Stranger, pause and drop a tear. For Emily Church lies buried here. Mixed in some perplexing manner with Mary, Matilda and probably Hannah."

—Exchange.

A Bit of English Humor.

An English humorist many years ago hit upon a neat way of scoring against certain politicians of the times. A comic journal, not being a newspaper within the meaning of the act, was prohibited from giving news, and so in place of a parliamentary report the humorist in question reported a few "first lines" from speeches by prominent members: "Sir Charles Wetherell said he was not sensible"—"Mr. Hunt was entirely ignorant"—"Lord Ashley said he should take the earliest opportunity of moving"—"Mr. Perceval presented a petition praying"—"Colonel Sibthorpe never could understand"—"Lord Lyndhurst said he must entreat of every one to give him credit"—"Sir Edward Sugden was not one of those who thought"—"Mr. Croker said he had the fullest assurance"—

Wonderful Fiddles.

One of the greatest fiddles that ever were known was to be seen at the French court at the time of Charles IX. This was a viol so large that several boys could be placed inside of it. These boys used to sit inside this queer instrument and sing the airs that the man who handled the bow was playing on the viol outside. The effect is said to have been very beautiful, though it would seem as if the presence of the lads in its interior would seriously interfere with the tone of the "great fiddle," as it was called. Many years after another huge instrument of this kind was used at concerts in Boston. It was so large that to play it the fiddler had to stand on a table to use his bow at the proper point on the strings. This instrument was called "the grandfather of fiddles."

Consolation.

Motorist (to victim)—What is your name and address?

Victim—John Smith, 14 Bean street.

Motorist—All right, Smith. Can't stop now, but to

tomorrow I will call at your house and

try and convince you that you should

carry an accident policy in the com-

pany I represent.—Puck.

HUNDREDS PAY

LAST RESPECTS

TO YOUNG WOMAN

Hundreds of friends paid their last respects this morning to the memory of Miss Lillian Belle Parsons, the young woman who died tragically

Friday as the result of burns sustained a week previously. On Sunday there was a constant stream of visitors through the rooms where the body of Miss Parsons lay. Banks of flowers were massed against the wall at one side of the room constituting the last tribute of affection of numerous friends to a popular young woman.

Pallbearers were chosen, from the Adelphian class of young men from the First Christian Sunday School, this being the organization of which Miss Parsons was for several years a teacher. The body was taken to Monongahela by trolley car for interment in the Monongahela cemetery.

BITUMINOUS COAL

PRODUCTION NOW

ON THE INCREASE

"Final figures of production of bituminous coal in Pennsylvania for 1912 will show a heavy increase over the 1911 output," says Edward W.

Parker, Statistician for the United States Geological Survey, in a recent article.

"Owing to the diverse interests

served by the bituminous coal

mines of Pennsylvania, the industry

in that State showed various phases.

The largest percentage of increase

was probably in the Connellsville

and other coking regions, the counties

chiefly benefited being Fayette,

Westmoreland and Cambria. Those

counties will probably show a total

increase of 20 per cent over 1911.

The Clearfield and other sections

shipping to a seaboard will show an

increase of about 8 or 10 per cent,

but without adequate returns to the

operators, some of whom claim that

the year was one of the most unsatisfactory in recent history.

This was due to contracts made early in

the year, when the lack of normal

demand in the iron trade forced upon

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ONE CENT

HEAVY DAMAGE DONE BY FLAMES SUNDAY NIGHT AT STAR MINE

Boiler House, Power
House and Part of
Tipple Burned-Loss
\$15,000 or More

DYNAMOS DESTROYED

Valuable Machinery Dam-
aged-Many Men Thrown
Out of Work and Mine
Will be Closed Indefinitely

Fire caused it is claimed by care-
lessness of repair men in leaving a
blaze near the boiler house occasioned
damage to the extent of about \$15,000
at the Star mine of the Harvester-
Walker company near Courtney at
about 12 o'clock Sunday night.
Much valuable machinery was de-
stroyed in addition to the boiler
house, the power house and about
five spans of the tipple. The loss is
partly covered by insurance.

It is asserted that repair men have
been at work preparing for the in-
stallation of a new boiler at the boiler
house. They had a fire going Sun-
day night near the boiler house, and
it is told went away for a short time
leaving it. When they returned the
boiler house was in flames.

The power house and other out-
buildings quickly caught fire, and be-
cause of the grease and coal dust
burned rapidly. The tipple became
ignited. There is no efficient fire fight-
ing apparatus and the puny efforts
of the men failed in extinguishing
the blaze.

It is difficult to say when the mine
will again start up. Between 300 and
500 men were employed. They will
be thrown out of work. The payroll
at the Star mine was about \$6,000
every two weeks. This will be a seri-
ous blow to Monongahela, where
most of the trade from the mining
settlements went. It may be that the
mine will not be opened up again until
the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad
is extended through the Mingo val-
ley, and then it is stated a new open-
ing may be made.

TEMPERANCE DRAMA AT PALACE THEATRE

"The Drunkard's Reformation," a
grIPPING temperance photoplay, will
be a special feature at the Palace
Theatre tonight. This great feature
shows the evils of intemperance in a
most vivid manner, and the evolutionary
stages in which the great scourge of
the civilized world gets its insidious
hold on its victims, until it finally
"bites like a serpent and stings like an adder." It affords a
most impressive temperance lecture.
This great feature is in three reels.

Will Probated.

In the estate of Marie Gault, late
of Charleroi, her will has been pro-
bated and letters issued to N. Etta
Gault, a daughter, who is given the
estate.

Saved From Drink.

The Drunkard's Reformation, three
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MINISTERS FORM MARRIAGE TRUST

Such is Charge of James O'Hara, of Cumberland
and James, Being a Cabby Ought to
be Qualified to Know

A regularly organized marriage trust, take them in tow whether
trust with a number of ministers as or they want to be taken in tow
trust, is said to exist all over the country, and charge liberally for their
services. The standard rate for the
since Youngstown as a get-married
"trust," O'Hara says is \$10 per hitch.
quick place was wiped from the map. Out of this comes one dollar for the
James E. O'Hara, an automobile marriage license, \$4.50 for the min-
driver is the informant, and from the minister and \$1.50 for the cabman.

bitterness of his accusation, it seems. Certain cabmen claim the scheme
that James is on the outside of some is not a good one for them because
they are good, where his advantage, couples find it cheaper to get married
than to be in the inside. They argue that that has
trains get to Cumberland, spot elop- formed by the itinerant ministers.

PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE MEN OF WASHINGTON DISTRICT MEET IN ANNUAL BANQUET

The Prudential Insurance com-
pany of America tendered their an-
nual banquet and business meeting
to the Washington district at Hotel
Morris Saturday afternoon, and the
affair was one of the best and most
enjoyable events of the kind ever
held in this district.

Over sixty were present including
superintendents, assistants superin-
tendents, agents and their ladies from
Washington, Monongahela, Charleroi,
Brownsville, Fredericktown and sur-
rounding towns. The honor guests
was the largest in the history.

GREAT SECRET OUT; VOTES GO FOR ROOSEVELT

Electors of Pennsylvania to
Hold Meeting at Harrisburg
Thomas to be Present

Goodloe H. Thomas, of the Monongahela
Friday Evening Call left Sunday
evening for Harrisburg to partici-
pate in the casting of votes for pres-
ident by the electors of the State.

Everybody knows what the result of
the meeting of electors will be.

Roosevelt gets the vote in Pennsyl-
vania. Officially President-elect

Woodrow Wilson isn't elected Presi-
dent until the electors of the several
states have met, cast their votes, and
had them reported and tabulated at

the national capitol.

Drama in Three Parts.

The Drunkard's Reformation, Pal-
ace Theatre tonight. 145-11

Some people spend more money
accidentally than most people do pur-
posely.

W. AND J. NAMES INSTRUCTOR TO FILL VACANCY

Prof. J. Clyde McGregor, of Wheel-
ing, W. Va., an alumnus of the in-
stitution, has been named instructor
of Political Science and History at
Washington & Jefferson College, to
fill the temporary vacancy caused by
the election to congress from the

Twenty-fourth, Pennsylvania district,

of Dr. Henry W. Temple, who has
held this professorship for some

years.

At the last meeting of the Board of
Trustees of W. & J., Dr. Temple was
granted a two-years' leave of
absence, commencing with next term.

Professor McGregor graduated
from Washington & Jefferson in
1905 and for several years after-
ward was instructor in history in
the Wheeling High school. For
some months he has been teach-
ing and studying at the University of
Pennsylvania, pursuing special work
in history and political science as a

candidate for the degree of Philoso-
phy (Ph. D.) He was given his

Master's degree by his alma mater.
W. & J.

JURY ADVISES

THAT LIGHTS

BE MADE SAFE

Recommendations were embodied
in the finding of the coroner's jury at
Donora Friday in the investigation
into the death of John Sukel, that the
West Penn Electric company adopt a
better system of wiring for the Web-
ster-Donora bridge. The present
system, it is claimed is not safe for

was electrocuted when he tried to re-
move a live wire lying on the floor of the bridge. It is said
the same light has been lowered on
several previous occasions by pas-
sersby and the jury considered that
the company should take some means
to prevent these occurrences.

STORK IS THE

WINNER

Year's Statistics Show

Three Times More
Births Than Deaths

LOWER THAN IN 1911

Records Made During Sum- mer-Low Month for Mor- tality is July

There were more than three times
as many b. l.s as d. l.s in the
Charleroi district comprising Char-
leroi borough, Fallowfield township and
Twilight borough during the year
1912. Monthly reports furnished the
Mail by the registrar of vital statistics,
Dr. Edwin McKay, tabulated
show the number of births to be 343,
and deaths 118. In 1911 there were
380 births and 149 deaths. The per-
centage of deaths compared to the
number of births was greater in that
year than in 1912. Following are
the figures for the year:

	BIRTHS	DEATHS
January	20	11
February	29	8
March	27	12
April	31	11
May	26	8
June	32	4
July	33	6
August	20	6
September	24	16
October	38	9
November	35	11
December	27	9
Total	343	118

Of course a majority of both the
births and deaths occurred in Char-
leroi although both Fallowfield and
Twilight contributed their lot. Some
unusual figures are shown through the
year. For instance in July there was
a remarkably low death rate and a
high birth rate, the deaths being
four, and births 33. The high month
for deaths was September with 16
and the high month for births Octo-
ber with 38. The number of births
for the first half of the year was 166
and for the latter half 177. Deaths
numbered 56 for the first half of the year
and 55 for the last half.

SHE WAS WILLIN' TO BE HIS'N BUT HE WAS TOO SLOW

Averring she faithfully promised
to marry him and is still willing
and ready to carry out that promise,
Caroline Urbanczyk has filed a suit
at Washington against Nicholas
Bawel, of the county seat, claiming
\$5,000 damages for alleged
breach of promise. A capias
has been issued for the defendant
and bail fixed at \$1,000. The plain-
tiff claims that notwithstanding she
has remained single and has al-
ways been willing and ready to carry
out her promise of marriage alleged
to have been made on April 9, 1911,
to the defendant, the latter has
failed to carry out his part of the
agreement and has persistently re-
fused to marry her.

PREPARING PETITIONS FOR STARTING RURAL DELIVERY ROUTE HERE

Petitions to be presented to the
postoffice department asking that a
rural delivery route be started from
Charleroi. They have met with ready
response and practically all who have
been asked have signed. The petitions
will be presented as soon as possible.

The Drunkard's Reformation.
Three Reel Drama, Palace Theatre
Tonight. 145-11

LOWLAND RESIDENTS FRIGHTENED BY FLOOD

Loads of Beer Rather Noisy

Two Taken in at Police Sta-
tion with Considerable
Difficulty Saturday

at the police station with consider-
able noise and difficulty Saturday night.
Two men were the loads. They had
evidently been where beer was on
draught and had sat in the draft.
They took a notion to resist arrest
and did so, to their dismay, for
they were landed in the boughs
boughs but were also forced to
undergo a sentence of a fine of \$10
and costs or a short term in the lock-
up. One chose the former and the
latter. Saturday night there were
five arrests. Sunday there were two
arrests for fighting.

LOCK NO. 6 TO BE REBUILT

Rivers and Harbors Committee Recom- mends Appropriation

BILL EXPECTED TO PASS

In the rivers and harbors bill to
go to the House of Representatives
this week \$178,200 is contained for
the rebuilding of Lock No. 6 in the
Monongahela river. This is a little
more than Gen. Bixby of the United
States Army engineers recommended
and less than the coal interests asked
for. Of the \$40,000 to be car-
ried in the bill for rivers and harbors
work, \$5,000,000 will be allowed the
Ohio, to further the system of locks
and dams and to give the river a nine-
foot stage. The Allegheny river will
get \$300,000. The money for the
the Allegheny river is not to become
available until the Army engineers
are satisfied that the bridges will be
raised.

The appropriation for Lock No. 6
means if passed that the government
will have on hands the rebuilding of
two locks, work already having been
started at Lock No. 4. It is hardly
likely that both locks would be re-
built at once, but rather that the local
lock would be finished first. The
appropriation for Lock No. 6 would
be sufficient for the rebuilding of the
entire lock.

Notice

The Ladies A. I. Society of the First
Presbyterian church will do any kind
of plain sewing, children's clothes,
dressing sacques, etc. Leave orders
for sewing with Mrs. J. K. Smith at demonstration when at Horne's and
Fifth and Washington avenue. Kaufman's and leave your order for
145-11, one at the City Grocery. 21-tw-11

Watches must be properly cared for

if you value their time-keeping qual-
ties. Have them cleaned and looked
over regularly instead of waiting 'till
they "get something the matter with
them." Our facilities for this class of
work is surpassingly good and we guar-
antee to repair the most delicate or mos-
expensive watches and clocks in the
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Second Raise of River
Within Five Days
Occurs Sunday

OHIO GOES ON RAMPAGE

People Living on Down River
Pointed Out

Homes by High Water

For the second time within five
days the Monongahela river was
flooded Sunday. At Lock No. 4 Sun-
day evening at 6 o'clock water was
within a foot of the stage it
attained last Wednesday. After
reaching this stage, 29.7 feet, it be-
gan slowly to recede.

It was reported Sunday night that
certain Pittsburg streets were under
water, and reports came from down
the Ohio river of great havoc. The
ground is soaked from the rains and
floods of the fore part of last week,
and the smaller tributary streams
of the Monongahela, Allegheny and
Ohio rivers are filled with water. A
little rain Saturday and Sunday night
did the damage. On the lower Ohio
rivers the flood of last week had not
yet attained its greatest stage, and
the coming of the water of Sunday
night in back of it created a worse
flood than was at first expected.

In the vicinity of Cincinnati the
people are being driven from their
homes by the invading waters from
the muddy Monongahela and cranky
Allegheny rivers. Cincinnati business
men have suffered heavy loss.
A 60-foot stage of water was reported
from Cincinnati Sunday night.
Further down the Ohio the damage
was fully as great.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM AT COYLE THEATRE

"The Star of Bethlehem," which is
at the Coyle Theatre this evening, is
one of the greatest Scriptural por-
trayals ever before presented in moving
pictures. The film is as nearly
infallible as it is possible to make it,
in point of depiction of characters,
events, settings and costumings. All
the leading events of the nativity of
Christ are graphically portrayed, and
portraiture, costuming and settings
are faithfully copied from worldwide
paintings of the great masters on
these subjects, and from accurate
geographical data obtained direct
from the holy land. All the historic
authorities have been carefully
searched and copied and the result is
a portrayal that far surpasses any
conception the mind might have form-
ed of this great event, which today
dominates the whole civilized world.
It is a picture that Bible students
and Sunday

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\$320,000

The Sum and Substance

of being a subscriber to this paper is that you and your family become attached to it. The paper becomes a memoir of the family and its coming each week will be as welcome as the arrival of anyone that's dear. It will keep you informed on the doings of the community and the bargains of the merchants regularly advertised will enable you to save many times the cost of the subscription.

Cards Cutters' Names.

A butcher who had some spare time made a study of the New York telephone directory for butchers whose names are out of the ordinary or fit the business. So a Frankfurter has a shop at 219 East 86th street and A. Weiner is at 1443 Avenue A. John Vito is at 113rd avenue and Frank Then on Amsterdam avenue. If they formed a partnership now & then would sound familiar. Wing Sang is in the poultry business and A. Fox is a game dealer. Louis Rich is on Third avenue and John Richer is in the Bronx. Emil Half is on Amsterdam avenue. George Idler hustles at a market on Webster avenue. John Grab is taking things easy in his shop on Second avenue. Max Warm is on East Houston street. Max Lehr of Norfolk street never keeps it. Joseph Hug of West Fifteenth street should be a favorite with the women. For the finish how about Julius Goodby of Avenue A?—Butchers' Advocate.

The Fiddle Drill.

The "fiddle drill" is one of the oldest stonemasonry tools in existence. It is said to antedate Greek sculpture and is in use today in about the same form as it was 2,000 years ago. As its name implies, its action resembles a fiddle. The drill is of two pieces. In one hand a carver holds the drill stock, which is like a carpenter's brace except that it is straight instead of having a crank. In the other hand he holds the "bow," which is strong with a brass wire and which is given a turn around the drill stock. To use the drill the carver places the drill stock against his breast holding it with his left hand, and with his right he draws the bow back and forth, fiddle fashion. This imparts a rotary motion to the drill stock and the drill is ground to cut in either way it turns. The fiddle drill is used in the finest work, in crevices where the sculptor could not reach with his chisel and hammer without endangering the carving.

The Better Part of Valor.

Nobody ever called in question the courage of the early Spanish settlers of California, but there seems to have been at least one man among their descendants who held discipline to be the better part of valor. A certain Don Andreas was interviewed by his superior officer on the eve of an engagement with the enemy and was warned that the American was a very different foe from the Indian or the Mexican and that courage should not be pushed to rashness in an encounter with him.

"Have no fear, general," was the response of the intrepid caballero. "I would far rather that history should record from where I fled than where I fell."

The general's mind was probably relieved of anxiety concerning the fate of at least one individual in his command by this reply.

Natural Ear Trumpets.

It has been ascertained that the spiral horn of a wild sheep when placed that the ear is in the axis of which the ticking of a watch comes more easily discernible. Since the ear of the sheep is surrounded by the horn it is inferred that the latter acts as an ear trumpet, not improving the hearing for distant sounds, but disclosing the direction of a sound. This would be useful in enabling the sheep to ascertain the exact points whence sounds come when there is a mist or fog covering its feeding grounds.—Exchange.

THE "GOBLIN FRIAR."

One of the Specters That Are Said to Haunt Newstead Abbey. Newstead, the home of Lord Byron, has the reputation of being haunted by more than one specter, and many curious noises and strange sights have been heard and seen by residents and visitors there. But the best known and most noted specter connected with the place and immortalized in Byron's verse is the "Goblin Friar." The particular chamber which this specter is supposed especially to frequent and which is known for its excellence as the "haunted chamber" adjoins Byron's bedroom. Lord Byron and many others not only believed in the existence of the Black Friar, but asserted that they had really seen it. It did not confine its visitations, however, to the "haunted chamber," but at night walked the cloisters and other portions of the abbey.

A monk arrayed in cowl and beads and dusky garb appeared.

Now in the moonlight and now lapsed in shade,
With steps that tread as heavy, yet unheard.

This apparition is the evil genius of misfortune of some kind to the member of the family to whom it appears. Lord Byron fully believed that he beheld this apparition a short time before the greatest misfortune of his life, his ill-starred union with Miss Milbanke. Alluding to his belief in these things, he said:

I merely mean to say what Johnson said—that in the course of some six thousand years.

All nations have believed that from the dead.

A visitant at intervals appears,
And what is strange: upon this strange head.

Is that whatever bears the reason bears
Gaines such beliefs there's something stronger still.

In its behalf, let those deny who will.

Kansas City Star.

HAYDN AND THE ROD.

When the Budding Composer Was Flogged by Royal Command.

An amusing incident of the healthy boyhood of the great composer, Joseph Haydn, is given by Mary Maxwell Moffat in her biography of the Austrian empress, Maria Theresa.

When von Reutter became choirmaster of St. Stephen's cathedral he had Joseph Haydn among his pupils.

During a visit to the Hungarian Prince Esterhazy, in 1778, Maria Theresa took occasion to say a word of praise to Haydn, who had composed the music of the opera given in her honor and had conducted the performance. She expressed the conviction that she had seen him before, although she could not remember the occasion.

"The last time your majesty was pleased to take notice of me," said Haydn, "you ordered me a good thrashing."

"That does not sound like me," rejoined the empress. "How did it happen?"

Then Haydn told of a Whitsuntide when, with other pupils of Von Reutter he had been brought to Schoenbrunn singing in the chapel. Between the services the boys took to clambering over the scaffolding of the new wings of the palace. The empress caught sight of them and sent word forbidding the dangerous sport. But the attraction of the scaffolding was irresistible. On the following day the boys were again risking their necks. When Maria Theresa expostulated with Von Reutter her surmise that the ringleader was "that young scamp, Joseph Haydn," led her to suggest that the rod be used to improve his memory.

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The Glowworm Cavern.

The greatest wonder of the antipodes is the celebrated glowworm cavern discovered in 1891 in the heart of the Tasmanian wilderness. The cavern or

caverns (there appears to be a series of such caverns in the vicinity, each separate and distinct) are situated near the town of Southport, Tasmania, in a limestone bluff, about four miles from Ida bay. The appearance of the main cavern is that of an underground river, the entire floor of the subterranean

passage being covered with water about a foot and a half in depth. These wonderful Tasmanian caves are similar to all caverns found in limestone formation, with the exception that

their roofs and sides literally shine with the light emitted by the millions of glowworms which inhabit them

Strange Cure For Lunacy.

Our forefathers were so fond of the whip that they seem to have regarded it as a cure for insanity and even for epilepsy. The accounts of a Huntingdonshire parson under date 1691 have the entry, "I'd be in charge taking up a distracted woman, watching her and whipping her next day. 8s. 6d." and a few years later eightpence is paid for "whipping two people if had the smallpox."—London Standard

How, Indeed?

Small Boy—Sister said to ask if you had any invisible ink. New Drug Clerk—after looking among some bottles—I guess we haven't at least I don't see any. Small Boy (contemptuously)—Buh! How do you expect to see it if it's invisible?—Chicago News

Tart Retort.

Restaurant patron (caustically)—I am glad to see your baby has shot up, madam. Mother—Yes, sir. Baby has the only thing that's pleased him since he saw the animals eat at the zoo—Puck.

Reason For It.

At a debating society some time ago the Irish question was discussed. An English doctor was sustaining the argument that the Irish were naturally a race with right sentiments, but poorly developed. At Liverpool, he said, he had 300 Irish patients on his books and of these only thirty paid him for attendance.

New York's First Sidewalk.

The first sidewalk in New York was laid by a woman, Mrs. Samuel Provoost, about 1716. She was an importer and merchant and laid the sidewalk for the convenience of her customers. She had importuned the authorities to do it, but they refused, saying it was impossible. After her object lesson paving and curbing gradually came in, but for some time her sidewalk was so famous that people journeyed even from Philadelphia to see it.



White Sale Prices for Undermuslins

In this big January event, which is well known by thousands of women in and around Pittsburgh, the opportunities presented to purchase desirable undermuslins for much less than their real value are even better than in former seasons.

We give below a range of prices for the different garments. As space is limited, we will only say, regarding their general appearance, that they are made in the best manner, with trimmings of lace, embroideries and ribbons, applied in many beautiful ways. Some garments are plain, others elaborate, but all in good taste, and each an exceptional value.

Women's Gowns of muslin, nainsook and cambric, variously trimmed, are priced at 50c to \$10.00 each.

Corset Covers of various styles, made of nainsook and cambric, with different trimmings, at 25c to \$3.00 each.

Drawers of muslin, cambric and nainsook, various styles, at 25c to \$2.00.

Combinations of corset covers and drawers and corset covers and skirts, made of soft nainsook, at 50c to \$1.50 each.

Princess Slips of nainsook some with lace, others embroidery trimmed at \$1.00 to \$6.00 each.

Petticoats of muslin, cambric and nainsook. Various styles, with many trimming effects, at 50c to \$10.00 each.

Joseph Horne Co.

Pittsburgh

The Strength of a Child.

Medical men assert that, according to well conducted tests, it is shown that the newborn babe is relatively much stronger than a full grown man.

The muscles of the forearm are astonishingly vigorous. A few hours after birth a child suspended by its fingers to a stick or to the finger of a grown person can sustain itself in the air for about ten seconds—in the case of particularly strong infants for so long a period as thirty seconds.

After four days old an appreciable increase in the infant's strength may be noticed, and the time during which it can thus sustain itself is about two and one-half minutes for 98 per cent of babies. The maximum is attained in two weeks. Few infants can "hang on" for more than one and one-half minutes, although it is of record that an exceptionally developed child remained suspended for two minutes and thirty-eight seconds by his right hand. After that he continued to hang on with his left for fifteen seconds longer.

—Harper's Weekly.

Just For a Change.

The great celebrity was seriously ill, and the attending physicians had diagnosed his case as appendicitis. They informed him

"Very well," he replied calmly. "I have only one request to make. I want some operation is inevitable?"

"It is," they told him.

"That being so," the great man went in, in the same calm manner, "please arrange to operate on me from below. It is my desire, when the time comes to operate, that I be rigged up securely in some barouche-like arrangement and that the surgeons work upon me as I swing suspended over their heads."

"He's a 'sister,'" whispered the doctor.

"Not so," corrected the patient, "not at all. I wish merely to give the newspapers a chance to say something else than that I am 'under the knife'—Brooklyn Times.

How Soap Cleanses.

A Belgian chemist who has studied the action of soap on various soiling substances of different colors has arrived at the conclusion that the cleansing of an object consists in a process of substitution.

There is brought about a colloidal combination of the soap and the soiling substance, which, by reason of its constitution, no longer has the power of fixing itself by absorption on to the solid body, with the result that it is easily carried away by the water.

Thus in washing with soap one puts it in contact with one's soiling substances, these latter having a greater affinity for the former than for one's skin. Soap has even a greater affinity for one's skin than for the substances, which it proceeds to replace and to set free to be taken up by the water and removed.

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With flushed cheek to defend his countrymen—"sor, there is never an effect without a cause. There is never a phenomenon that does not admit of an explanation. How can we explain the astounding phenomenon to which the doctor has called our attention?"

He finds an explanation in the natural depravity of the Irish nature. "I have another explanation to offer. It is this: the Irish are a race of people who have a natural aversion to work."

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Before Spring Comes

We must empty our shelves, counters and cases. All our winter stock must go to make room for our new Spring Goods. Every vestige of Winter wear has been marked down with the sole purpose of rapid selling. The profits do not figure in this sale—it's a matter of space with us, and you should take advantage of this extra inducement.

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Why not anticipate your carpet wants? Fifteen rolls of all wool carpets to select from and at wholesale prices. Our Roxbury Borders make up nicely into porch rugs, hall runners etc.

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Rev. Elias Nicholas, a native of Egypt, and a Methodist Episcopal minister in that country spoke from the pulpit of the local Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening.

John B. Branagan, former postmaster, who is now located in Los Angeles, Cal., is spending a few days in Charleroi looking after business matters.

Misses Lois and Helen Darby are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Herman Heupel is in Pittsburg today.

C. C. Holyfield is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

CAUSE OF THE GRIPPE

How to Escape Its Dangerous After Effects.

With so much grippe prevalent this winter a few words of advice regarding its cause and treatment will not be out of place.

Grippe is an infectious disease easily taken when the system is in a tired or run-down condition.

The best means of prevention are to keep the blood in good healthy condition, and if the system gets into a weak, run-down condition, take Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic.

A lady from Long Branch, N. J., says: "Grippe left me in a nervous, weakened, run-down condition. After taking three bottles of Vinol I am better and stronger than I have been for years, and I cheerfully recommend Vinol to all who have suffered from the grippe and need strength." (Name furnished on request.)

We have never sold in our store such a valuable strength creator and health restorer for the convalescent the weak and run-down as Vinol, and your money will be returned if it does not do all we claim for it. Piper Bros., Druggists.

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They will interest you when you're in need of pricing?

FRONT PEOPLE PRESENT DRAMA IN OWN TONGUE

Saturday evening the French Dramatic Circle, L'Independent, gave a most pleasing home talent performance at the Eighth street hall. The hall was packed to the doors and many who gained admittance had to stand during the performance. The first act of the play, rendered in French, "Le Peril Jaune," was charmingly rendered, Leon Pagan as the husband playing his part like a professional, and drawing hearty applause from the big audience, as did Miss Anna Goffart, who took the part of the wife. Fernand Goffart as the lawyer and Miss Suzanne Loiseau, the latter but 14 years old, as the charming household maid, rendered their respective parts with fine effect. Miss Loiseau was presented with a handsome bouquet during the performance.

The second act was no less a success. Leon Pagan as the doctor, Victor Bouvier as the servant, and Annie Goffart as the patient wife, kept the audience in an uproar of laughter throughout the act. The third act was rendered in the Belgian dialect with a comic version throughout. Leopold Goffart as the veterinary, Adrian Clavir as the rich former, and Joe Decoch as the servant displayed marked talent in their respective parts. Mr. Bouvier rendered two vocal selections and Leon Pagan gave two monologues as special features. The next performance of the association will be a grand drama under direction of Leon Pagan.

Plaster Casts.
Those who have plaster casts that they wish to preserve may protect them from dust by brushing them with a preparation of white wax and white soap, half a teaspoonful of each boiled with a quart of rain or other soft water. Use when cold, and when they are dried the casts may be wiped with a damp cloth without injury. To harden casts brush with a strong solution of alum water and brush with white wax dissolved in turpentine. Put the cast in a warm place to dry after using the latter, and it will have a look not unlike that of old ivory.

Had to Creep.
"Why do you say 'A blushing crept over the face of the fair plaintiff'?" asks the editor.

"Because," explains the society editor, "there was so much powder on her face the must had to creep or else it would raise too much dust."

The Clever Ones.
Briggs—Some men are born great, others achieve greatness. Briggs—Yes, and others simply have the trick of making other people think they're great after it.

In Andrews' "Anecdotes Ancient and Modern" (1788) one reads, "Should a glass house fire be kept up without extinction for a longer term than seven years there is no doubt but that a salamander would be generated in the cinders." This probably accounts for the popular idea that a salamander lives in the fire, a fallacy so far removed from the truth that the curious lizard-like beast so called cannot endure even the heat of the sun, but scurries away under stones to avoid it. It will never lose its reputation for fire-eating, though, which lingers still in the beating heart that is named after it.

The Salamander.
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WHAT IS DIRT?

How the Question Was Answered by a Professor of Chemistry.

An old college professor used to say to his students: "What is dirt? Don't be afraid of a little dirt, young gentleman." What is dirt? Why, nothing at all ominous when chemically viewed. Rub a little alkali upon that dirty grease spot on your coat, and it undergoes a chemical change and becomes soap. Now rub it with a little water, and it disappears. It is neither grease, soap, water nor dirt.

That is not a very odorous pile of dirt you observe there. Well, scatter a little gypsum over it, and it is no longer dirty. Everything you call dirt is worthy of your notice as students of chemistry. Analyze it, analyze it! It will all separate into very clear elements.

"Dirt makes corn, corn makes bread and meat, and that makes a very sweet young lady that I saw one of you kissing last night. So, after all, you were kissing dirt, particularly if she whitened her skin with chalk or fuller's earth.

"I never see telling young gentlemen, what is dirt, though I may say that rubbing such stuff upon the beautiful skin of a young lady is a dirty practice. Nice, pearly face powder is made of bismuth—nothing but dirt." — Exchange.

MIXED WIVES.

The Dilemma That Mr. Church Faced and How He Mastered It.

In the early part of the last century there lived in an old New England town a Mr. Church, who in the course of his early life was bereft of four wives, all of whom were buried in the same lot.

In his old age it became necessary to remove the remains to a new cemetery. This he undertook himself, but in the process the bones became hopelessly mixed.

His "New England conscience" would not allow him under the painful circumstances to use the original head stones, so he procured new ones, one of which bore the following inscription.

"Here lies Hannah Church and probably a portion of Emily."

Another:

"Sacred to the memory of Emily Church, who seems to be mixed with Matilda."

Then followed these lines:

Stranger, pause and drop a tear.
For Emily Church lies buried here.
Mixed in some perplexing manner
With Mary, Matilda and probably Han-
nah."

—Exchange.

A Bit of English Humor.

An English humorist many years ago hit upon a neat way of scorning against certain politicians of the times. A comic journal, not being a newspaper within the meaning of the act, was prohibited from giving news, and so in place of a parliamentary report the humorist in question reported a few "first lines" from speeches by prominent members: "Sir Charles Wetherell said he was not sensible"—"Mr. Bunt said he was entirely ignorant"—"Lord Ashley said he should take the earliest opportunity of moving"—"Mr. Perceval presented a petition praying"—"Colonel Sibthorpe never could understand"—"Lord Lyndhurst said he must entreat of every one to give him credit"—"Sir Edward Sugden was not one of those who thought"—"Mr. Croker said he had the fullest assurance"—

Wonderful Fiddles.
One of the greatest fiddles that ever were known was to be seen at the French court at the time of Charles IX. This was a viol so large that several boys could be placed inside of it. These boys used to sit inside this queer instrument and sing the airs that the man who handled the bow was playing on the viol outside. The effect is said to have been very beautiful, though it would seem as if the presence of the lads in its interior would seriously interfere with the tone of the "great fiddle," as it was called. Many years after another huge instrument of this kind was used at concerts in Boston. It was so large that to play it the fiddler had to stand on a table to use his bow at the proper point on the strings. This instrument was called "the grandfather of fiddles."

Columbia River Thrice Named.
The Columbia river has had three names. It was first called the Oregon. Afterward it was called the St. Roque, but when it was discovered by Robert Gray in 1792 it was given the name of his vessel, the Columbia, in place of the two floating appellations, Oregon and St. Roque. According to Whitney, the original name of the river was the Oreon, "big ear" or "one that has big ears," the allusion being to the custom of the Indians who were found in the region of stretching their ears by boring them and crowding them with ornaments.

Both Hate Him.
"Funny thing," remarked Wilson musingly. "Tom Wilkins and Edith Brown used to be great friends of mine. I introduced them to each other. They got married, and now neither of them will speak to me. Wonder what the reason can be?"

Little Sister—What are goose eggs to a baseball game? Big Brother—Innings in which no runs are made. Why do you ask? Little Sister—Oh, I thought they were laid by the female of the game.—Chicago News.

How well you live together, and not long.

HUNDREDS PAY LAST RESPECTS TO YOUNG WOMAN

Hundreds of friends paid their last respects this morning to the memory of

Miss Lillian Belle Parsons, the young woman who died tragically Friday as the result of burns sustained a week previously. On Sunday there was a constant stream of visitors through the rooms where the body of Miss Parsons lay. Banks of flowers were massed against the wall at one side of the room constituting the last tribute of affection of numerous friends to a popular young woman.

Pallbearers were chosen from the Delphian class of young men from the First Christian Sunday School, this being the organization of which Miss Parsons was for several years a teacher. The body was taken to Monongahela by trolley car for interment in the Monongahela

BITUMINOUS COAL PRODUCTION NOW ON THE INCREASE

"Final figures of production of bituminous coal in Pennsylvania for 1912 will show a heavy increase over the 1911 output," says Edward W. Parker, Statistician for the United States Geological Survey, in a recent article.

"Owing to the diverse interests served by the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania the industry in that State showed various phases. The largest percentage of increase was probably in the Connellsville and other coking regions, the counties chiefly benefited being Fayette, Westmoreland and Cambria. Those counties will probably show a total increase of 30 per cent over 1911.

The Clearfield and other sections shipping to a seaboard will show an increase of about 8 or 10 per cent, but without adequate returns to the

mines that the year was one of the most unsatisfactory in recent history. This was due to contracts made early in the year, when the lack of normal demand in the iron trade forced upon the commercial market the product of mines customarily supplying furnaces and steel mills. Over-production ruled."

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